

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend Paragraph 0030 as follows:

In certain advantageous embodiments, a locking mechanism 60 is disposed in the handle in order to secure the sleeve 44 in the channel 42. As illustrated more clearly in Figures 3a – 3b, in certain advantageous embodiments, the locking mechanism 60 includes a wall member 62 having a plurality of apertures 63 that correspond to the plurality of channels 42. The sleeve 42 44 has a plurality of ridges 64 such that, when the wall member 62 is in a first position (Figure 3a), the wall member 62 is disposed between at least two of the ridges 64, thereby preventing the sleeve 44 from moving longitudinally along the channel 42, and thus, the sleeve 44 is locked in place. When the wall member 62 is moved to a second position (Figure 3b), the wall member 62 moves out from between the ridges 64 and away from the sleeve 44, such that the wall member 62 no longer obstructs the channel 42 and the sleeve 44 is thus free to move longitudinally therein. In certain advantageous embodiments, a biasing force maintains the wall member 62 in one of these positions and, in order for the wall member 62 to move into the other position, a force must be exerted to move the wall member 62 against the bias. In some embodiments, this bias is achieved via a resilient element 66, such as, for example, a spring.